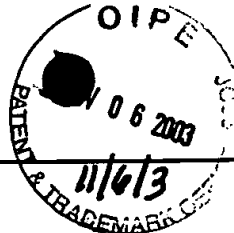


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Request
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Application Number	09/876,554
Filing Date	June 7, 2001
First Named Inventor	Izuo Iida
Group Art Unit	2815
Examiner Name	N. Richards
Attorney Docket Number	10417-084001

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other
- Miscellaneous**

a. ☒ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of 3 months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)

b. ☒ Other Petition for 1 month extension of time
- Fee** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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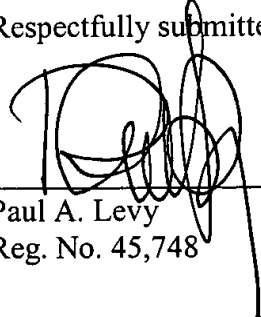
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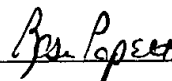
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